

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE #5/A

In re Application of

LAMBERT ET AL

Serial No.:

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Examiner:

Title: IMPROVEMENTS IN OR

RELATING TO DIAGNOSIS AND TREATMENT OF BACTERIAL INFECTIONS

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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

## IN THE CLAIMS

Claim 3, line 1, delete "1 or".

Claim 4, line 1, delete "any one of claims 1, 2 or 3" and insert -- claim 3 --.

Cancel claim 6 without prejudice.

Claim 7, line 1, delete "or 6".

Claim 10, line 1, delete "8 or".

Claim 11, line 1, delete "any one of claims 8, 9 or 10" and insert -- claim 8 --.

Claim 12, line 1, delete "any one of claims 8 to 11" and insert -- claim 8 --.

Claim 13, line 1, delete "any one of claims 8 to 12" and insert -- claim 8 --.